

- I - 14 Agatha Garcia-Wright, A/Director, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, Ministry of the Environment, responding to correspondence from Mirka Januszkiewicz, Director, Waste Management Services, Works Department, Region of Durham, concerning the Durham/York Residual Waste Study Environmental Assessment (EA) process, advising that the Ministry is of the opinion that the Regions have not deviated from Step 7 of the Durham/York Residual Waste Study Environmental Assessment (EA) process, Evaluation of Alternative Methods, in the approved Terms of Reference (ToR) to such an extent that an EA cannot be prepared in accordance with it, provided that Step 7 has not yet been completed, and that the consideration of the preferred site and technology continue to move forward as set out in the ToR. The correspondence indicates that any further adjustments to the EA process contemplated, should be discussed in consultation with the Ministry prior to their implementation.
- I - 16 Gerald Brown congratulating Council on commencing the 2008 budget process earlier allowing more time for review and discussion and for providing a transparent forum for taxpayers to participate, but expressing concern with the proposed tax increase as it is not affordable, is unfair to residents on fixed incomes and lower investment returns; and suggesting the Municipality reduce spending, and attract more business so residents can live and work in Clarington which would help balance residential to commercial and industrial assessments.
- I - 15 Jim Richards expressing concern that the official position of Clarington Council requesting deferral of the site selection for the Energy-From-Waste facility was not conveyed to Regional Council; that the entire Environmental Assessment process has been flawed from the beginning; and that Clarington's Regional representatives will be leaving a shameful and inexcusable legacy for Clarington.

**Resolution #C-032-08**

Moved by Councillor Foster, seconded by Councillor Robinson

WHEREAS the Municipality of Clarington has requested that the Regions of Durham and York take forward two geographically distinct sites for analysis in the final stages of the EA on residual waste due to a garbage incinerator's impact on Clarington's airshed; the lack of site specific health studies and a lack of details regarding the technology;

WHEREAS the City of Oshawa, the Town of Ajax and the Durham Region Health and Social Services Committee have raised similar concerns with the site selection process;

WHEREAS under the Environmental Bill of Rights 1993, the MOE statement of Environmental Values indicates that the Minister should take a precautionary approach especially where there is some uncertainty about the risk presented by particular pollutants;

WHEREAS on January 23, 2008, the Region of Durham selected a site in Courtice for a garbage incinerator without knowing the technology or the specific health effects;

WHEREAS the Region has not given due consideration to the concerns presented by the potential host community;

WHEREAS the EA process is to find the best site for the incinerator and insufficient information has been provided to date to determine that the Courtice site is the best site;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Clarington is an unwilling host to the proposed Durham/York garbage incinerator and that a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Region of Durham and the Region of York and their constituent local municipalities, the Durham York Joint Waste Management Committee, the Ministry of the Environment and John O'Toole, MPP.

SEE FOLLOWING MOTION

Resolution #C-033-08

Moved by Councillor Trim, seconded by Councillor Novak

THAT the foregoing Resolution #C-032-08 be tabled until the February 11, 2008 Council meeting.

"MOTION LOST"

The foregoing Resolution #C-032-08 was then put to a vote and CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING RECORDED VOTE:

Council Member	Yes	No	Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
Councillor Foster	√		
Councillor Hooper	√		
Councillor Novak		√	
Councillor Robinson	√		
Councillor Trim		√	
Councillor Woo	√		
Mayor Abernethy		√	

### **CORRESPONDENCE FOR DIRECTION**

#### Resolution #C-034-08

Moved by Councillor Robinson, seconded by Councillor Trim

THAT Correspondence Items be approved as per the agenda, with the exception of Items D - 5 to D - 9, inclusive.

“CARRIED”

- D - 1 Chuck Clayton, President, Clarington Honda, requesting permission to erect a tent on the roadway in front of 23 Spicer Square from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on January 30, 2008, to hold a ground breaking ceremony to celebrate the start of construction of Clarington Honda. Mr. Clayton anticipates 60 to 70 people will attend the event.  
(Approved provided the organizers apply for and obtain a Road Occupancy Permit)
- D - 2 Christine Avery Nunez, Co-ordinator, The Ruth Atkinson Hindmarsh Award, an award established in 1998 to celebrate and encourage the heroic efforts of organizations dedicated to improving the wellbeing of children by providing an annual gift of \$50,000 to a charitable organization; and inviting nominations of Ontario-based registered charities deserving special recognition. The deadline for submission of nominations is April 14, 2008.  
(Correspondence referred to the Municipal Clerk to place an ad in the local newspapers)